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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

Please cancel all pending claims (1-122) and substitute the following claims 123-

171:

123. A fluidic sample analysis cartridge for analyzing a particle-containing liquid sample, comprising:

a sample inlet having an inlet shut-off interface;

a convoluted, nonporous sample storage channel in fluidic connection with said inlet;